

Appln. No. 10/657,604

Attorney Docket No. 11138-009

I. Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended): A receiving part [[(2)]] of a fluid plug-in coupling, comprising a socket housing [[(10)]] having a plug-in opening [[(12)]] for a plug part [[(4)]] and having a retaining device [[(14)]] for releasably fixing at the plugged-in plug part [[(4)]] in a secured position place, the retaining device [[(14)]] having a retaining element [[(16)]] which is mounted in the socket housing [[(10)]] and has radially elastically deformable retaining sections [[(18)]] for latching engagement behind a radial retaining step [[(6)]] of the plug part [[(4)]] in the secured position, and a release element [[(20)]] which that is secured in an axially displaceable manner relative to the socket housing [[(10)]] via latching means [[(22)]], the release element [[(20)]] engaging by means of an inner release section [[(24)]] in the plug-in opening [[(12)]] and, for release purposes, acting against the retaining sections [[(18)]] of the retaining element [[(16)]], which comprises the retaining sections being selectively coupled with a securing element [[(26)]] in such a manner that the release element [[(20)]] is blocked in a securing the secured position against preventing a release movement and is unblocked in an unblocking unblocked position for permitting a release movement.
2. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 1, wherein the securing element [[(26)]] and the release element [[(20)]] are rotatably moveable relative to each other about a coupling axis between the securing secured position and the unblocking unblocked position, in particular are rotatable about the coupling axis (28).
3. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim [[1 or]] 2, wherein the release section [[(24)]] of the release element [[(20)]] is designed as a hollow cylindrical inner sleeve and the securing element [[(26)]] is designed as a ring coaxially surrounding the inner sleeve.
4. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the release element [[(20)]] has at least one securing projection [[(30)]] which that rests on an end surface [[(32)]] of the securing element [[(26)]] in the

Appn. No. 10/657,604

Attorney Docket No. 11138-009

securing secured position[[.]] and can be guided axially through a corresponding recess [[(34)]] of the securing element [[(26)]] in the unblocking unlocked position.

5. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 4, wherein the end surface [[(32)]] of the securing element [[(26)]] has a wavy contour in the direction of rotation [[in]] such a manner that a bearing region for the securing projection [[(30)]] is formed in each case ~~in the region of adjacent to~~ an axially recessed wave trough [[(36)]] and the recess for passing through the securing projection (30) ~~through~~ is formed in each case in the region of an axially raised wave crest [[(38)]].

6. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim one-of-claims 1 to 5, wherein the securing element [[(26)]] is connected, in particular in a rotationally fixed manner, preferably latched[[.]] to the socket housing [[(10)]].

7. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim one-of-claims 1 to 6, wherein the release element [[(20)]] is indirectly secured in the socket housing (10) ~~via~~ by at least one of the retaining element [[(16)]] and/or via and the securing element [[(26)]].

8. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 7, wherein the retaining element [[(16)]] has at least one radial retaining arm [[(44)]] which engages is received in a retaining groove [[(46)]] formed on the outer circumference of the inner sleeve [[(24)]].

9. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim one-of-claims 1 to 7, wherein the release element [[(20)]] is acted upon by a spring force [[(F)]] which that acts axially in [[the]] a release-actuating direction.

10. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 9, wherein the release element [[(20)]] has at least two axial retaining arms [[(60)]] which are resilient in the radial direction and, with outer, cone-like oblique surfaces [[(68)]].

Appln. No. 10/657,604

Attorney Docket No. 11138-009

interact radially with an inner bearing surface [[(66)]] of the securing element [[(26)]] to produce the axial spring force [[(F)]].

11. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 10, wherein the bearing surface [[(66)]] is part of a radially inwardly pointing annular collar [[(64)]] of the securing element [[(26)]], end sides of the retaining arms [[(60)]] of the release element [[(20)]] preferably having latching lugs (62) ~~on the end sides for securing~~ preventing the release element [[(20)]] against from being pulled out, by bearing against the annular collar [[(64)]].

12. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in ~~claim 9 or claims 1 to 11, which comprises further comprising~~ an integrated blocking valve [[(50)]] which automatically closes in [[the]] a decoupled state and is opened by the plug part [[(4)]] being in a plugged in state.

13. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 12, wherein the blocking valve (50) ~~has~~ includes a moveable valve element [[(52)]] with a bearing section [[(54)]] for the plug part [[(4)]].

14. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 13, wherein the bearing section [[(54)]] is formed and guided within the socket housing [[(10)]] for the purpose of guiding the plug part [[(4)]].

15. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in ~~claim 13 or 14~~, wherein the bearing section [[(54)]] is of essentially hollow cylindrical design and has an expanded holder [[(56)]] for a free end region of the plug part [[(4)]].

16. (Currently Amended): The receiving part as claimed in claim 13, wherein the valve element [[(52)]] interacts in its closed position with a sealing arrangement [[(70)]] which is also provided for sealing the plugged-in plug part [[(4)]].

